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Ex-Senator Ford Tells Class of Mo. Legislature

Mr. Cook's Missouri History Class Bears of Problems and Bills Which Now Confront the State Legislators.

The three o'clock Missouri History class was honored by Ex-Senator Ford on Wednesday, January 7, when he accepted an invitation from Professor Cook to talk to the students on "The Mechanism of the Missouri Legislature."

Since the Missouri Legislature convened on that day, it was appropriate that the Senator should tell the class about the methods of law making, or law preventing. Mr. Ford very vividly told the class about the beautiful Missouri Capitol Building which is situated on the South bank of the Missouri River in Jefferson City.

According to the Senator, the voters in the State are very careful to choose their "favorite son" for the judiciary and executive positions in the State government, but when it comes to voting for the candidates to the Legislative department, which in fact is the most important of the three, the voters often blindly cast their ballot.

The "Two-House" arrangement of legislative bodies, in Senator Ford's opinion, is the best under the present conditions. However, he stated that some legislators in the past say that the "Two-House" arrangement is not worth the price.

As a prediction, Mr. Ford surmised that there would be introduced in the two houses at this session approximately 1200 or 1500 new bills which would be debated pro and con.

The Survey Commission, which will make a report on their findings at this session, will submit their report in the form of bills which will be introduced to the various committees who will discuss and debate them.

The "Political Legislation" which will take most of the time of the august bodies now in session, according to Ex-Senator Ford, will be the redistricting of the state into Congressional districts. If the time for adjournment comes before the redistricting is done, the 13 Legislators will be elected at large at the next election. However, if the redistricting is done and passed on, the various districts will vote but for one man.—R. M.

Students Make High Grades Last Quarter

Lewis Israel, Donald Johnson, and Albert Hagan lead the list of honor students for grades for the fall quarter. Lewis Israel made ten hours of credit, receiving four E's. Donald Johnson received credit for 12.5 hours work receiving four E's and an S. Albert Hagan received four E's with ten hours credit.

Those receiving three E's and one S were: Lowell Bowen, Carl Leroy Fisher, Juniors; King, E. Marie Larson, Mary Frances, Lassel, Birdie Le-waster, Virginia, Mullin, Jacob, Porter-field, Ernest Mulligan, Grace Westfall, Clara White, William Yates, and Marian Gann; Varsity.

President Lamkin Returns to College

President Uel W. Lamkin of the College returned to Maryville, Tuesday, from Washington, D. C., where he attended another meeting of the National Advisory Committee, which is directing the work of the group of educators in their study of the relation of education to the Federal Government.

Mr. Lamkin said that the educators were trying to formulate a report which will probably be given some months later. He said that the system now in existence of self education within a department in the several bureaus and departments of the government, and the rule which the education committee are trying to adhere to—that of non-interference in the individual states in the handling of their affairs, and many other such trying problems, were making the entire study assigned to the committee a very deep and complex one.

President Lamkin seems to think that the Committee is making progress and that the work will be very worth while and valuable to the nation.

Announcements

President Lamkin announced at College assembly on January 7 that students will not be allowed to drop subjects unless they see him and get his approval. According to the plans of the school, students are expected to carry 10 hours of work.

It was announced at Assembly that all those who have colds are expected to stay at home. President Lamkin has urged that both faculty members and students keep physically fit, if possible.

There will be a joint meeting of the Social Science Club and Pi Gamma Mu Wednesday night, January 14. The Rev. Wickizer will address the group and the Y. M. C. A. quartette will sing.

On January 25 the Y. M. C. A. Gospel Team goes to Gallatin and Hamilton for Young People's meeting and church service programs. The boys will give a program in the afternoon, for the Daviess County Young People and then will go to Hamilton where they will give an evening church service program.

An Indian relic exhibit consisting of more than 1000 pieces was brought to the College and placed in the Social Science Museum, located on second floor of the Administration Building, by Mr. David D. Hooper and son Stanley, of Maysville.

This interesting exhibit, according to Dr. Foster, is to be loaned to the College for a period of five years, but it is hoped that the exhibit will remain in the museum for even a longer period of time.

Mr. Hooper is a former student of the College, having attended at times from 1909 to 1916. He has also served as county superintendent of schools of Andrew county, and as superintendent of schools at Sheridan, Barnard and Bolekow. He is now a special state deputy commissioner of finance.

The Dramatics Club of the College under the direction of Mr. Miller will present "The Beloved Vagabond," recently given here at the College, in Kirksville, on January 22. Mr. and Mrs. Miller will have charge of the play troupe which will make the trip to Kirksville in the College bus.

Speaker Says Survey Report Is Important

In his address on "What Must We Do to be Saved," given at the forty-first annual meeting of the Northwest Missouri Press Association held at the Robidoux Hotel in St. Joseph Friday and Saturday, January 9 and 10, Mr. H. J. Blanton, editor of the Monroe County Appeal, Paris, Missouri, said that the State Survey Report question was the greatest thing that has come before the Missouri State Legislature in twenty-five years and yet the papers in general have said little or nothing about it and not many people seem to know the details or importance of it.

Concerning editorials, Mr. Blanton said that the way to get results was to write the editorial and then go out and try to get some one to carry out the idea given in the editorial. The same thing is true in bringing about proper conditions or solving the problems of our state or community, declared the speaker. We must decide what we should do to be saved and then do something about it.

Forensic Frolic Is Successful Affair

The members of the Forensic Union opened the new year with their social event of the quarter, the Forensic Frolic, last Friday evening. The program was in charge of Cloola Dawson, Internal Secretary of the Forensic Council. Special guests were the members of the law club, the Y. M. and Y. W. Cabinets, and others interested in forensics.

The entertainment consisted of games and dancing. Each person was provided with an individual program with the days of the week listed opposite of which were alternately personal confessions and confessions made by the members of the Forensic Union. The members of the Forensic Union were divided into two teams, the "Reds" and the "Blacks." Each team presented a case to the judges, who were the members of the Forensic Union. The judges then rendered their verdicts. The "Blacks" won the case. The Frolic was a very successful affair.

Head of School at Liberty, Mo., Makes Address

President John L. Herget of William Jewell Advises Students to Live up to Responsibility of Trust.

In an address before the students and the members of the College faculty in the first all-College assembly of the new year, January 7, President John L. Herget of William Jewell College of Liberty, Missouri, said, "Sooner or later every man comes to his own place in life." Mr. Herget illustrated what he meant in this statement by saying that if one will fill a jar with large rocks, smaller pebbles, and grains of sand, and then shake it up the smaller particles will always drift to the bottom of the jar. He said that this is true in the shake up of life, the small men and unworthy always go down and find their places, and the big, noble, true, and worthwhile people always fit into their proper and higher spheres in life.

President Herget, in his address, defined an old man as one who is unable to make proper readjustments in life. In connection with this the speaker brought illustrations from his army life to show the difference in the ability of men to adjust themselves to their environment. He left the valuable impression and lesson that one doesn't always have to be old to be not able to adjust one's self properly to environmental conditions.

In discussing trust and responsibility President Herget urged the students not to accept a trust or responsibility without being willing to accept the corresponding responsibility. He said that the world is full of people who are ready to accept places of trust and responsibility but are not willing to live up to their obligation pertaining thereto.

Concerning the old Bible story of the talents as brought out in the scripture reading in the devotional service conducted by the Reverend Jacobs of Maryville, Mr. Herget said that the man who was given the one talent was a grouch, a coward and lazy, and that these characteristics were enough to make anyone a failure. To be a failure is certainly a pity according to the speaker and he added that no one but ourselves can make us failures. He said that God is on the side of the man who is trying.

President Herget said the better we fill our places of responsibility or our jobs, the higher we can expect to go. To reach the higher places we should follow God's plan and grow physically, morally and mentally.

College High Wins First in Project

The Physics class of the College High School has won recognition for work done in connection with a project carried on by the Institute of Experimentation of Teachers College, Columbia University. The object of the project was to experiment on the use of teaching units in physical science. The unit studied by the College High School class was, "Musical Instruments as Applications of the Laws of Sound." The experiment was started in the high school last year.

The class made the highest score on the final test for any of the eighteen units. There were twenty-five schools in twenty-three cities in fourteen different states experimenting on these units.

The class was taught by Miss Lois Roper, under the supervision of Miss Margaret Franken. The students in the class were: Elaine Bolle, Lucile Leeson, Frances Bowen and Robert Lawrence.

The second experiment was begun January 12 of this year. The project this year is the Experimental Use of a Teaching Unit on Electrical Lighting Systems. The particular experiment that the class of the College High School is undertaking is for the purpose of increasing achievement score on the unit by use of all the devices at the command of the instructor. The students will be required to take on the teacher and make a plan for the class. The experiment will be carried out by Theodore Baldwin, supervised by Miss Margaret Franken. The log will be taken by J. M. Porterfield. The students participating are: Mary Ellen Houghton, Grace Blackford, Fred King, Glenn Munsey, Gerald Hurst, Ambrose Jennings, and Elmer Salles.

Championship Trophy The Basketball Trophy won by the Maryville Bearcats, champions of the M. I. A. A. Conference last season, has been received at the College. It is a regulation size, gold plated basketball on a black base.

Since the trophy is not paid for by the Association, the winning college has the responsibility of securing it.

Hickory Sticks Will Have Conclave Soon

According to a letter sent out by Mr. L. G. Somerville, County superintendent of schools, on January 17, at 5:30 p. m., the Knights of the Hickory Stick Conclave will be held in the basement of the First M. E. Church, Maryville, Missouri.

Mr. H. T. Phillips, Chairman of the Program Committee, has announced the following program for this occasion:

Music—Group from College Orchestra; Guest Speaker for the occasion, Mr. John L. Brackon, President of the Missouri State Teachers Association; and Mr. E. M. Carter, Secretary, Missouri State Teachers Association will also be present.

President Lamkin has invited the school men to be the guests of the College on Saturday, at 8:00 p. m., at the basketball game between Central College of Fayette, Missouri, and the Bearcats of the College. Reserve seats for the basketball game will be made only for those who send in their reservation by Thursday morning, January 15. This invitation is open to school men and book men, and each school man is entitled to bring one school officer.

The Committee has tentatively agreed on a meeting of the Knights of the Hickory Stick to be held in Excelsior Springs on February 14, 1931.

Class in Missouri History Has Project

The class in Missouri History 62 is adventuring upon a new type of work in studying the History of the State. Under the direction of Mr. Cook, instructor in the course, the students have begun work on a "Scrap Book" in which will be collected interesting and valuable information about the State from the beginning of the region as a territory up to the present time. A committee was chosen by Professor Cook to act as a staff in collecting and selecting information as submitted by the students of the class.

The members of the class who were chosen on the staff are: Mildred Medsker, Chairman; Horace Borchers, Wm. Estis, Hollie Smith, and Raymond Mitchell. The staff will type the articles selected and arrange them in chronological order and put it in book form. There are sixty students in the Missouri History class.

Students Hear Book Review at Meeting

Forensic Union had a very interesting meeting Monday in Social Hall at 11:00 o'clock. Miss Cloola Dawson presided. Judge Lindbergh's book, "Complicated Marriage," following her report, the meeting was open for discussion. Mr. Miller and Mr. Holdridge presented their views on this question and did much to clarify misconception in regard to the question.

Dale Missildine has planned a very detailed and elaborate program for this quarter. The Union cordially invites everyone interested in speech and desiring a period of interesting discussion on public questions, to attend the regular meetings of the Union in Social Hall each Monday at 11:00 o'clock.

- COMING EVENTS
- Jan. 15-16—Ronald Colman in "Ruggles" at Missouri Theatre, sponsored by Growlers to make money for trip to Warrensburg and Springfield to support basketball team.
 - Jan. 17—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 18—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 19—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 20—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 21—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 22—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
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 - Jan. 25—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 26—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 27—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 28—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 29—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 30—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.
 - Jan. 31—Basketball game here at Central College of Fayette.

Work of Kansas City Artists Is Displayed Here

Miss DeLuce Has Two-Day Exhibit of Paintings by Kansas City Artists. Some of Her Own Paintings Seen.

During the holidays Miss DeLuce of the Department of Fine and Industrial Arts of the College went to Kansas City, where she selected a number of paintings by Kansas City artists, which with five of her own paintings were on exhibition at the College last week.

Miss DeLuce's paintings, "Morning Sunlight," "Interior," two interesting studies of old buildings on the campus of William Jewell College, the Library and Old Jewell Hall; and Estes Park, Colorado, were exhibited.

Miss DeLuce paints with a keen appreciation of values and a strong sense of art structure. Her handling of the foreground with its pattern of shadows and light in the study of the William Jewell Library is particularly interesting.

Miss DeLuce has the following to say about the Kansas City artists and some of the paintings exhibited:

"Miss Delle Miller is a leading painter of Kansas City, her subjects being generally landscape. The College is fortunate in having one of her pictures, 'Unconquered,' which was given to the school by the Senior Class of 1928, and which may be seen in the West library. Her two studies here, made in the country about Denver, Colorado, are notable for the vigor and power of their treatment. One may notice in these pictures the simple direct way the foliage on the trees is painted, and how clear cut and clean is the color on the mountains and in the foreground. In 1928 she took first prize at the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia. She has exhibited all over the United States, and has recently had a picture purchased by the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs, to hang in their national headquarters in Washington, D. C."

"Miss Irah Kibbey is an Ohioan by birth and a Missourian by adoption. Her home is in Kansas City. For a number of years she was connected with the Kansas City Art Institute, but recently has been working independently. Her pictures are both in oil and water color. In the water color studies here shown she uses what is known as 'Gouache.' The best features of Miss Kibbey's work are probably her composition, and her use of strong color in harmonious combinations. The gouache method gives also a body to the water color very nearly approaching that of oil. Two of her studies are aeroplane pictures made as the result of a series of trips over the Ozarks, a pencil sketch being made at the time, and later from memory worked up into the pictures which were displayed here at the College."

Such views, of course, give a flat appearance to the earth such as we are not accustomed to see. In one picture, the shadow of the aeroplane shows on the earth, in the other Ozarks picture there is an interesting small village in the foreground, and behind it a series of lakes, and one so-called sink hole. A number of her other studies have been done in Rockport, which is near the Gloucester art colony in Massachusetts, a very famous summer settlement. A few studies are of Kansas City, particularly about the Millbrook district, which are done in water.

"Miss Kibbey has taken a number of prizes, one being the purchase prize at the Missouri State Fair last year. She has exhibited all over the country, as a member of the Kansas City Society of Artists, and at present is receiving much notice because of the aeroplane series of which we had here but two examples."

Mrs. E. K. Summers is president of the Kansas City Society of Artists, and is chiefly interested in landscape work, her scenes of Kansas City in its steel life, its golf courses, its factories and its mill creek section are of special interest to those who know Kansas City. Much of her recent work is very decorative and modern in treatment, one example of which 'Poplars in the Brook' was recently exhibited here."

Here, too, the recent 'Sketch Book' exhibited by the Kansas City artists showed a number of decorative and landscape studies of the city and its surroundings. Miss Margaret Sutton has recently accepted a position as second grade teacher in the Maryville public schools. Miss Sutton is a Junior and a member of the Alpha Sigma Alpha, Green, and White Peppers, and last year was a member of the Women's Glee Club and took part in other activities at the College.

Mary the Third

On Tuesday, January 27, 1931, at 8:00 p. m., as the winter quarter minor entertainment, the Kirksville Teachers College Players will present "Mary the Third," a comedy in three acts, by Rachel Crothers. The time: 1870, 1897, and today. The plot: "The more things change, the more they are the same." Each Mary thinks that she has her own original point of view toward love and marriage. Mary the Third, especially, thinks herself thoroughly emancipated from sentiment, and intends to choose her husband coolly and logically. All three, in fact, really follow the dictates of their own heart, regardless of logic and reason. The play not only shows Mary the Third's attempt to select her husband with cool judgment, and—but you really must see it to appreciate it!

maturity of line and sureness of touch, with an exceptionally fine sense of form manifest in them. In these days of quite careless drawing, it is a pleasure to find on exhibit something which shows a knowledge of the underlying bony structure, and a direct and simple treatment. Miss Horner is the daughter of Mr. Chas. F. Horner of the Horner Institute of Kansas City.

"Lorene Masters' study of sunlight represents another phase of landscape art in study."

"Miss Shelton Wilhite had in the exhibit two studies made abroad during last summer, one of the famous fountain in the square of Berchtesgaden in Bavaria, a little mountain town where she spent some time sketching, and another is of the Bengulunge in Bruges in Belgium, the home of the old women lace makers in that northern Venice."

Miss DeLuce has a distinguished heritage in the field of Fine Arts. Her great-grandfather, Thomas Thompson, was one of the founders of the American National Academy of Design, of which her father, Percival DeLuce, a portrait painter of note, was a member. Miss DeLuce herself has been prominent in the work of Fine Arts in the state and was instrumental in the initiation of an art survey of Missouri, which is now in the process of making.

Mr. Cooper, director of College extension work, gave an address before the Jefferson County Teachers Association at Fairbury, Nebraska, on a phase of the Vitalized Agriculture work, during the holidays.

Dr. Foster Writes Chapter for Book

Dr. H. A. Foster, head of the social science department of the College, spent the Christmas holidays in the libraries of the University of Chicago, where he completed another chapter for his book "British Mandate in Iraq."

Iraq is in old Mesopotamia in the valley of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers and is a part of the territory taken from Turkey by Great Britain during the World War.

Great Britain has been tutoring this backward nation in staidhood under the terms of the peace treaty, during the last ten years, according to Mr. Foster, and the country will become free in 1932, at which time it will also become a member of the League of Nations.

Dr. Foster says that the subject is of interest to nations especially since this is the first time in the history of the world that such a backward nation has in so short a period of time been placed on an equal footing with other leading nations.

When Great Britain took over Iraq there was considerable debate over the Mosul territory in the northern part of the country, over which the British wanted control, on account of the land being rich as an oil district. The question was referred to the World Court and then to the League of Nations. Dr. Foster said that during the holidays he gave his time studying the treaties and recorded debates on this matter in order to fully understand the situation for his book.

Bearcats Have Good Record in Holiday Games

Only One Defeat in Contests With Strong Teams is Recorded so Far in Two Seasons.

Greeley 18 Bearcats 27
Pittsburg 40 Bearcats 33
Winfield 15 Bearcats 31
Emporia 13 Bearcats 52
Winfield 20 Bearcats 27
O. C. U. 18 Bearcats 22
O. C. Gushers 23 Bearcats 24

Six victories and one defeat—so goes the chronicle of the Bearcat basketball schedule since the beginning of the Christmas vacation. The one defeat, the first in 43 games, was hard to take, but the victories were notable in that unusually difficult competition was met and overcome, especially the Oklahoma City Gushers, last Saturday night.

At the first of the vacation the Greeley Teachers were defeated in a disappointingly easy game, 27 to 18. A couple of days later the feature game was played before a record crowd for the local gymnasium. The Pittsburg, Kansas, Gorillas, undefeated in twenty-four contests, were at their best to topple the Maryvillians 40 to 33. From the start, when the Kansas, led by a giant center named Schmidt, got away to a 8 to 0 lead, it was evident that a battle was under way. The Bearcats soon overcame the lead only to be left behind again. And so throughout the first three quarters of the game. In the last quarter a Pittsburg spurt put the visitors in a position that commanded a victory for them.

A different Bearcat five met and beat a Winfield aggregation on the home court, 31 to 11, and the Emporia Teachers met a cyclone of Maryville baskets leaving the Hornets behind, 35 to 13, a week ago Tuesday night.

Last week's trip to the Southwest brought three victories; over Winfield on Thursday night 2 to 20, over Oklahoma City University Friday night 22 to 18, and finally a 24 to 23 win over the Oklahoma City Gushers. In the Winfield and O. C. U. games, the Bearcats were trailing at the half but managed to gain a final advantage in the last halves, while the last game was in favor of either team until the sound of the final gong. The Gusher victory gives a comparison of the Bearcats with other powerful midwest teams, as the Gushers recently defeated last year's national A. A. U. champions, the Wichita Henrys, by a comfortable margin. The Bearcats were conceded small chance of winning this game by sports authorities.

An unusually interesting contest is promised on next Saturday night when the Bearcats meet the Central College Eagles at the College Gym.

Debate Tournament at Winfield. In the pre-season Debate Tournament at Winfield, Kansas, the Maryville team, composed of Marvin Shamberger, Wilbur Pettigrew, Lowell Galt, H. J. Smith, and Dale Missildine, took thirteenth place among approximately 100 teams from Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas.

The debate team expects to travel more than 2,500 miles which was the distance traveled by the team last year.

New Fraternity Has Smoker on Monday

Thirty-three College men attended the smoker of the National Masonic Fraternity, Sigma Mu Delta, held at the home of Dr. R. C. Person Monday evening, January 12. The organization which has but nine members at the present time, has its regular business meetings on Wednesday of each week, and a social function once each month.

Sigma Mu Delta was organized on the campus on December 13, 1930. The officers of the organization are as follows: President, Forte Sandison; vice-president, Glen Hornbuckle; secretary, Lowell Galt; and treasurer, William Person. The sponsors of the fraternity are Mr. Whiffen and Mr. Garrett of the College, and Mr. Marcel of Maryville. The regular business meeting of the Sigma Mu Delta was held Wednesday night, January 12. The following officers were elected to have charge of the club house for the winter quarter: Fred Allen, Fern Alley, vice-president; Myrtle McMullen; secretary-treasurer; Evelyn Burr; sergeant-at-arms, Catherine Pirote.

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COLLEGE OATH
"We will never bring disgrace to this college, by any act of cowardice or dishonesty. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the College. We will respect and obey the College laws and do our best to make a like respect and reverence in others. We will transmit this College to those who come after us, greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

AFTER VACATION

The long holiday is over. Christmas dinners have been eaten and their evil after-effects largely remedied. Part of the sleep lost during hours of midnight study has been regained only to be lost again during holiday festivities.

Christmas presents have been received, admired, used, worn, eaten, and alas some of them forgotten.

There is not much left of Christmas except a dyspeptic disposition and a desire to get back to normalcy.

Then comes what is really the best part of vacation—the return to the old College building. Clang! Clang! go the lockers and we toss our wraps into them and spend a distracted five minutes trying to decide which books are needed for what class. Then we walk down the halls and see familiar faces. Everybody is glad to see everybody else; vacation experiences are exchanged, and there is a warm glow around our hearts as we realize that after all the best part of vacation is after vacation, and that perhaps one good reason for having vacations is to make us glad to get back to College again.

WHAT'S IN A GRADE?

Is the grade we get in a course really any index to how we have benefited from that course? The answer is decidedly, no, for college is not intended to make human encyclopedias out of us but rather to teach us to think for ourselves. And no test has yet been devised that is even a semi-accurate criterion as to how our minds have developed in some particular subject over a period of twelve weeks.

In addition to being absolutely valueless as a judge of development, the grade system has been accomplished by the growth of three parasites which cling to it and exist because the average student either consciously or unconsciously is working for a grade instead of an education. These parasites are bluffing, cheating, and cramming.

The psychology of getting a good grade in the average class is to study hard and recite profusely for the first two weeks so as to impress the teacher with your ability and then by being attentive in class for the rest of the quarter and now and then answering a question always in the tone that says "I must be right" to convince the teacher you are not guessing, your worries are over.

This system, known to collegians as 'bluffing,' is neither an art nor a science, but an art-science, and is taught in all leading colleges and universities under the guise of such courses as general economics, American Literature, Citizenship, and what-not. By putting on a bold front even morons have been known to "pull down" good grades.

Cheating is the second parasite fostered by the grade system. It might surprise certain teachers if they were to know what a small percentage of the outside reading reports turned in by their students were actually read. It might also startle them if they were to discover a few of the innumerable devices of students to stumble thru exams on "borrowed" knowledge. The fact that the average student 'cheats' in school is common knowledge.

As the third parasite of our grade system we have cramming. I have never yet taken a course where an hour or two of last-minute cramming, regardless of how little I previously knew on the subject, didn't enable me to pass the general tests, usually with good grades. Despite the warning of a certain professor of last quarter who



insisted that no student who hadn't gradually absorbed the subject-matter of the course could possibly pass—cram or no—I crammed and passed. Furthermore, I know from the nature of the test that I would have scored somewhat less than 107, without that hour of "intense" study.

And so we see that these three growth of the grade system, all admittedly evils in themselves, exist only because there is present a grade toward which the student is working.

If there were no grade systems there would be no objection for the student to bluff, to cheat, or to cram and so such evils would automatically be eliminated. At the same time students would study because of their interest in the subject and we issue a permanent challenge for anyone to point out any great achievements in history where that fundamental interest has not been present and back of its development.—H. J. S.

WHO GOES TO COLLEGE?

As someone has said, the reason only one-half of one per cent of Americans are college bred is because the other ninety-nine and one-half per cent can't raise the dough!

It would be an interesting study to discover just what percentage of college students actually belong in school and the number at work who would really profit from a college education.

For, after all, college is more or less an accident of birth. Many of the sons of millionaires would be better off driving ice wagons. Many of the boys in the mill would make far greater leaders if given a chance. Yet the hand of fate has willed otherwise.

We do have this consolation, however, that as high as the cost of college is, it is not high enough to absolutely prohibit the poor boy who really wants an education and perhaps the struggle he must needs go thru tempers his character to an even finer fiber.—H. J. S.

THE BRAIN COUNTS

You can get along with a wooden leg, but you can't get along with a wooden head.

The physical value of man is not so much. Man as analyzed in our laboratories is worth about ninety-eight cents.

It is the brain that counts, but in order that your brain may be kept clear you must keep your body fit and well. That cannot be done if one drinks liquor. A man who has to drag around a habit that is a danger and a menace to society ought to go off to the woods and live alone. We do not tolerate the obvious use of morphine or cocaine or opium and we should not tolerate intoxicating liquor because I tell you these things are what break down the command of the individual over his own life and his own destiny.

We have not lived up to our laws; education is what we need to combat this condition. When we have our younger generation completely educated we will not have types who say: "Why should I not have my rights as a citizen?" It is through the boys of today that we hope to see a sound and over-lasting prohibition worked out in this country. If there ever was any great man who accomplished anything through the use of alcohol I would like to have the fact pointed out. We in the United States of America have tried to give you a field of action free from the barricades which used to be set up by the legalized liquor traffic. Keep yourselves free from all entangling habits. Remember, it's the brain that counts.—Dr. Charles Mayo, Scientist, Physician, Surgeon, in the November 1930 Journal of the N. E. A.

Last year there were more college students in the United States than in all the rest of the world combined. There were 1,387,000 students enrolled in colleges and universities in this country.

Why Schools of Journalism?

Every up-and-coming American University nowadays has a department of journalism, and some of them possess full-fledged schools, housed in handsome edifices of their own. The course often takes four years, and not infrequently graduate study is possible. The schools are not of great antiquity—hardly any of them go back more than two decades but they are already, from a quantitative point of view, an important part of the picture of American university life.

Every practical journalist is aware that the technical training needed for success in newspaper work is almost negligible. About all that the beginner needs to know is the proper order in which to tell his facts—and some of the best and most successful reporting ever done has defied even this formula. The basic qualities necessary for success in journalism are those desirable in any other career: Intelligence, sound health and inexhaustible stores of nervous energy to drive one forward thru long hours of sustained endeavor. An ability to write well and a feeling for good writing done by others are of course desirable although many men have climbed to conspicuous editorial success without either.

It is true, of course, that the importance of any occupation is to some extent determined by the character of the men who go into it—and vice versa. We are still a long distance from the day when a young man seeking a profession will be able to think of law, journalism, medicine and engineering as being in all respects compatible. No doubt plenty of good men will continue to enter newspaper work, lured partly by the opportunity for public service, which in spite of everything is found there; but they must do so at a sacrifice of some things which weigh heavily in favor of these other occupations. Until that better day comes, professional training for the journalist must remain slightly absurd; and even after it comes, that training should consist of everything else but "journalistic technique."—Review by Wilson.

How to Dance

Be bold. Dancing is a matter of confidence. Go up to the best dancer and ask her. Be careful and confident. After she has refused, keep on asking until you get a dance. When the music starts, advance, and with the right arm encircle the young lady in the vicinity of the waist. With the other clinch her right hand. Shove off. Keep confident. Pilot her in a circular route about the hall. When you step on her feet, be courteous. Pardon her. When you bump into anyone, glare. He will apologize. Blame it all on the music or on the floor. Keep confident. Show her your critical ability. Find fault with the orchestra. Say the floor is not smooth enough or is too slippery. Carry on a conversation to ease her agony. When you stumble, tell her that you are trying a new step. Even offer her the opportunity of learning the new step. When the music stops, applaud loudly and support her to her seat. After she has thanked you, look for another victim. Be bold. Dancing is a matter of confidence.—Exchange.

Jamestown Is Being Destroyed.

Jamestown Island, site of the first permanent English colony in America, is gradually being washed away by the waters of the James River. Moves have been started to preserve the historic island both by the state of Virginia and by the United States government. Representative Cranton of Michigan, chairman of the appropriations committee, is author of a bill to create a national memorial including Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Jamestown. The general assembly of Virginia is considering a \$100,000 appropriation to create a park at Jamestown Island.

ARE WE LAUGHED AT?

I read a short time ago that a prominent wet was afraid that this country would become the laughing-stock of the rest of the world. Well, there are some things about us at the wages which our industries manage to pay. They do not laugh at the standard of living of our working people. They do not laugh at the numbers of automobiles, radio sets, electric household appliances, and baby carriages which our people manage some way to afford. They do not laugh at the growth of savings bank deposits, of life insurance, and of building and loan associations.

I do not notice any strong tendency on the part of foreign-born workers to slun this country. Our immigration laws restrict the numbers who can come. Were it not for this restriction, we should have millions of immigrants seeking our shores. Perhaps they want to come merely because they find so much amusement. I should not blame them for laughing when they get here. They will have reason enough for laughing when they get to such an amusing country.

They must find it amusing to get higher wages than they ever knew before. They must find it amusing to ride in automobiles if their own, to have money in the savings bank, to have their children in free public schools, and even to go to the movies instead of to the saloons in the evenings.

The wives of our own workers, as well as those of foreign birth, must find it amusing to have their husbands come home sober and not to have to run the gamut of a dozen saloons on their way back from work. They must find it amusing to have their husbands bring the wages home instead of spending them for drink. They must find it amusing to time in on the radio to visit the movies, to operate electric washing machines, to help their children with their school work, to buy wages instead of drink.

Yes, this is a very amusing country! By Thomas N. Carver.

The Stream of Life

Calm and placid shining brook!
Between low flowered banks,
Doth gently flow thru timbered nook
Expanding on its way.
Increasing volume builds more strength,
But crystal waters darken!
The flowers grow fewer on its banks;
The wild oats sprout and harken.

The young stream checks it gathered speed;
A point of hesitation!
The banks again are flowery wreathed
With bluebell and carnation.

As if inspired by some deep thought,
The rivulet dashes onward.
And boiling excess power is wrought
To make its nation honored.

Its banks grow rocky, rough and steep;
No place for dainty blossoms.
Its waters churn and dash and leap
And cut through solid bottoms!

Huge boulders yield beneath its power;
They crack, and split, and grind!
Above the river cliffs do tower
And make the waters blind.

Around a bend the walls grow wide;
A fairy land serene!
The river peacefully doth glide
Beneath the sun's bright gleam.

The canon walls are left behind.
The massive river lulls.
The zephyrs bring a song combined:
The sea buoy's and the gull's.

Like cobwebs in the hall of death,
A fog doth veil the sea.
The river goes without a breath
To its eternity.

Beyond the fog, the sky is bright;
A place of transformation.
Placid waters now unite
With heavenly creation.

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—Donald L. Neal, Junior, Northwest Missouri S. T. C.

Drawing Class

Mr. Whiffen's drawing class in the afternoon from 1 to 4 o'clock is running full blast. The class now has 22 members, having increased from time to time, and with the addition of students who have returned to school who were not here during the Fall Quarter.

Mr. Colbert

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Colbert spent five days during the Christmas holidays with their son Philip and his family at Lincoln, Nebraska. Their son Herschel Colbert, who has charge of the journalism work at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, was also there. Another son, Ned Colbert, who is assistant to the director of the American Museum of Natural History in New York City was unable to be with the group at Lincoln, on account of having charge of an exhibit in Cleveland, Ohio.

A picture of Ned and an exhibit head of a life-sized model of a Trianothera, a monster that roamed South Dakota 3,000,000 years ago was shown in The Maryville Daily Forum recently.

Former Student

A letter has been received by a student in the College from Miss Leila Carroll, who attended school here last year, saying that she is enjoying her work, teaching at Halcob, Missouri. She states that she is the only rural teacher in the county who is teaching Industrial Arts. The county superintendent likes her work so well that he is planning on requiring that Industrial Arts be taught in each school in the county. Miss Carroll took her art work under Miss Fisher last year.

Hall Dinner

The Annual Christmas Dinner for the people of Residence Hall was given Tuesday, December 16. The Senior girls led the way to the dining-room singing carols. A delicious three-course dinner was served by outside help in order that the boys might dine "in state" instead of serving others. Everyone had such an enjoyable time that the dining room was not vacated until after eight o'clock.

Less than eight per cent of the families of this country have annual incomes in excess of \$5,000.

Y. M. Fellowship Banquet

"No one who has dealt with the arduous task of promoting international goodwill can have failed to realize how much the success depends upon the coming generations. To mould their minds, so that they may grow up to think in terms of peace, is urgently imperative. When the generous enthusiasm of youth, despite their inexperience and exuberance, will be aroused in favor of just settlements and will have learned to abhor forcible imposition, then, and probably then only, may we hope to attain such understanding as you aim to promote among the peoples of the world. For, a change of heart is more necessary than a change of procedure, if men and countries are to adjust their inevitable differences by more enlightened means than they have heretofore done. May you succeed in your endeavors and may the example of countries such as mine, that have sought to spread oil over the troubled waters of their international relations, finally contriving to weather the storm, encourage you in your worthy efforts." —Mr. M. de Freye y Santander, Ambassador of Peru.

"I appreciate the spirit very highly in which you and your colleagues are working for the promotion of world peace among all the nations, a goal towards which Germany is working with all its strength." —Mr. F. W. von Prittwitz, Ambassador of Germany.

"The official representative of any Foreign country cannot but sincerely welcome any movement such as yours, which is so eminently calculated to remedy the unfortunate results of the ignorance in which most people find themselves of other nations. In modern times—so far removed from those of the Greeks when a man like Aristotle could be reputed to master all the available knowledge of his day—we all realize that the accumulation of human

knowledge is infinite and it is the duty of the leaders of thought in every country to guide their fellow waitizens towards those fields in which study will yield the most beneficial results. Among these, the understanding of other nations' history, culture and achievements certainly deserves one of the first places, perhaps immediately after that of oneself, in the words of the Greek philosopher: Gnothi Seauton. It is a truism to say that understanding means tolerance, and it is intolerance with its corollaries of distrust and hatred that has caused most wars. We all know that wars mean destruction, suffering and poverty, the greatest enemies of human happiness. I am proud to say that my countrymen have also realized this truth and have founded in Rumania, a few years ago, a society called 'The Friends of the United States of America' which organizes a regular course of lectures on America and provides free courses of the English language." —Mr. F. C. Naeu, Charge D'Affaires, Rumania.

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Alpha Phi Sigma Has Formal Initiation

The formal initiation of Alpha Phi Sigma, national honorary scholastic fraternity, was held in Mr. Gardner's room at eight o'clock Thursday evening, January 8. Preceding the ceremony short talks were made by Glenn Duncan, local President of the organization, and Stephen G. LaMar, sponsor.

Thirty-four were initiated into membership or advanced in rank. Those taking part in the initiation ceremony were: Glenn Duncan, Thomas Lawrence, Fred Larson, Grace Westfall, Clara Mae Shartzer, Everett Evans, Dorothy Whitmore, Flora Scheffsky, Birdie LeMaster, Genevieve Miller, Ida Beth Newton, Ernest Stalling, Mildred Sandison, and Donald Johnson.

The organization has as its objectives:

1. To encourage scholarship among pupils in the secondary schools by providing suitable recognition of high scholastic attainment when the student graduates from the secondary school.
2. To furnish a worthy incentive to the maintenance of high scholarship after matriculating for college work, by providing opportunity of entrance into and advancement within this organization when a definite scholarship record is maintained.
3. To counteract detracting influences which are detrimental to scholastic attainment in both secondary school and college.
4. To produce stronger, better-equipped and better spirited graduates to serve the communities into which they go.
5. To induce college students, members of this organization, to return to their home schools and encourage their friends in the secondary school to attain high scholarship.

The United States Is Now the Teacher

From overseas 10,000 Foreign Students attend American Schools. For more than fifty years, America has welcomed the foreign student. Today America is virtually a world school master. The 10,000 students from overseas, representing a diversity of customs, traditions, dress and history, form the greatest migration in student history.

Time has metamorphosed the average foreign student. He is more matured than his predecessor of a decade or so ago. Foreign educators now believe there is no advantage in sending students here for undergraduate work. The result is that an increasing number of foreign students come to pursue a particular line of research or do graduate work.

Foreign students now are intent on mastering the scientific achievements of America's civilization. Not satisfied with class room knowledge, they extend their researches to the shops, factories and offices. American business, with an eye toward markets abroad, has found it desirable to co-operate with these potential leaders wherever possible.

British colonies and dominions, which formerly looked exclusively to Oxford and Cambridge for higher education, are sending students to the United States to study scientific and business methods. In the last five years the number of students from Ceylon, Australia, and the West Indies have doubled. More than 1,000 Canadian students cross the border to American class rooms each year.—G. R. W.

Booster Plates

Students and teachers of the College might be interested in boosting for the College by buying one of the new Maryville automobile signs, at the College Book Store or at the F. L. Barman Garage.

The metal town name plate has the name Maryville spelled out in script letters, and at either end of the plate is the figure of a Bearcat decorated in green and white. Across the bottom of the plate is the printed saying suggested by Mr. Lamar of the College, which is, "The College Town." So the new Maryville name plate bears the following inscription, Maryville, "The College Town."

Seek Office

Mr. W. H. Burr, Superintendent of the Harmony Consolidated schools and Mr. Claude Thompson, Superintendent of the Cainsville Schools have announced their candidacy for County Superintendent of Schools of Nodaway County. Both men are degree students of the College.

Mr. Leslie E. Somerville, County Superintendent of Nodaway Schools for the last nine years, according to announcement, will not be a candidate for the office.

Dramatics Club News

The Dramatics Club held its first meeting after vacation Thursday, January 8. There were several visitors present to enjoy the program.

The program consisted of a reading by Elizabeth Hildman, "The Lion and

the Mouse," a one-act play, "The Third Angle," directed by Elizabeth Price. The characters were: Mr. Pogo, Richard Barrett; his wife, Elloner Sowell; the Third Angle, Cecil Gist. These characters lived their parts and did their part to perfection. Miss Price and her cast deserve much credit, according to those present.

January 14 will be the first section meeting of the club. The members will have the opportunity to be in one of two sections, "Make-up" or "lighting." This is something new for the club and is creating much interest in club members.

The club is always glad to have visitors. Come again!

Primary Council Party

The Primary Council, sponsored by Miss Chloé Millikan, entertained friends with a Christmas party, Thursday night, December 18. One of the main features of the evening was a play, characterizing the fairy people in Children's Literature.

After the play the guests were invited to the kindergarten room where Christmas gifts were exchanged. Refreshments consisted of ice cream, angel food cake, and coffee.

Growlers

An all-school dance was sponsored by the Growlers last Saturday night in the west library. About thirty-five or forty couples were present.

The Growlers are sponsoring the picture "Raffles" at the Missouri Theatre Wednesday and Thursday of this week, and are selling tickets at the regular theatre price of forty cents.

A trip with the basketball team to Springfield and Warrensburg Thursday and Friday nights of this week is anticipated by the Growlers.

Old Students Win Honors

Professor Sorenson of the University of Minnesota stated that fifty-three adult students in the Minnesota evening classes, who were over 50 years old obtained a rating of 64 per cent in college aptitude, while those between 20 and 24 obtained a rating of only 36 per cent.

Some of the best students were as old as 70 years and some of them were farmers, policemen, stenographers, or housewives who had no more than an eighth grade education previously, made good grades.

Paint Hood

In the machine room of the Industrial Arts Department has been constructed a paint hood. The idea was conceived and the hood built by Burl Zimmerman, Frank Moore and Mr. Whiffin. Before the hood was made, every time any painting was done with the gun in the room down stairs, the whole building was virtually saturated with the fumes, but now an electric fan draws all those fumes outside. When there is no painting to be done the hood may be cranked up out of the way.

Over the Library Desk

The one room in my college which I enter with a certain sense of desolation and sadness is the College library . . .

Yet even here, it pleases me to think, some mute and unsuspected treasure may lurk unknown . . .

A. C. Benson's "Books," in "From a College Window."

The browsing room of the library is the room which holds these mute and unsuspected treasures. The books are the newest in the library and may not be taken from the room but are left for the use of the students to read in leisure time.

Besides the newest books there are sets of books by Twain, James, and others, all entertaining and interesting to read.

The browsing room invites you often, not necessarily to study but to read.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. Gospel Team of the College Y. M. C. A. has served nine counties of the nineteen in this district since May, 1930. The team has visited Nodaway, Mercer, Harrison, Davies, Gentry, Atchison, Holt, Clinton and DeKalb counties in Northwest Missouri and even went across the Iowa line to enter Pogo county. The team set a record in that they gave programs ten consecutive Sunday nights.

Programs were changed and new speakers were present at every consecutive meeting. Every one of the forty-five members of the College Y. M. C. A. were given a chance to make a trip. The present chairman of the group is Ernest G. Reid.

Advisor to Magazine

Mr. Bert Cooper, one of the advisors for the Vitalized Educator, a monthly magazine which is published at Fairbury, Nebraska. The paper is for the purpose of suggesting modern methods and practical helps in vitalizing the entire program of the elementary schools.

Student Groups Hear Business Cycle Lecture

Mr. E. W. Mounce, Head of the Commerce Department, Explains Present Industrial Depression to Students.

As a part of the program given at a joint meeting of the Social Science Club and the Pi Gamma Mu, honorary social science fraternity, Mr. E. W. Mounce discussed the present industrial depression and its relation to the business cycle. His address was as follows:

The present industrial depression is nothing more nor less than one of the periods of the business cycle. There is nothing new or exceptional about it.

There has been a continuous stream of business cycles since the beginning of the Industrial Revolution. Professor Wesley C. Mitchell, of Columbia University, probably the greatest authority on the subject of business cycles, records some seventeen such cycles in the history of our own country.

There are normally four periods in a business cycle, namely, a period of prosperity, a period of decline or liquidation, a period of depression and a period of revival. This process is going on continuously and people are always in one period or another of the cycle. It would appear now that we are in the last stages of the period of depression and will doubtless, within a few months definitely move into the next period, namely, the period of revival.

Since business does move in a cycle there, of course, cannot be any certain place where one should commence to study the cycle. We may as well start in one period as in another. We shall, therefore, start with the period of prosperity and move through the cycle from that point.

Before describing each period we should note that they are common in one respect, that is, in the fact that conditions are produced in one period which tends to bring about its downfall and to produce the next.

We shall now consider the period of prosperity. As a result of the slowing down of business activity in the preceding period, the stocks of good of all kinds have become depleted. As a result of the laws of supply and demand prices rise; or, in other words, the purchasing power of the dollar becomes less. As prices rise profits become greater and producers, seeing a chance to make a greater profit, begin to demand more labor and capital. With a greater demand for labor wages tend to go up. This gives a greater purchasing power to labor and therefore a greater demand for manufactured goods. The manufacturer demands more raw material and consequently the products of the extractive industries, such as agriculture, mining, etc., go up. This adds purchasing power to these classes and soon the period of prosperity is on.

Prosperity, once started, seems to spread, it becomes cumulative in its effects and creates a spirit of optimism which exerts a powerful influence on business activity.

As a whole, during the period of prosperity, the prices of the goods and services which the manufacturer has to buy rise less rapidly than the prices of those which he has to sell. Therefore there is a wider range of profits, and the manufacturer speeds up production. This makes a greater demand upon the banks and credit expansion follows. Prices of securities tend to soar.

But, as has been stated, conditions develop during the period of prosperity which tend to bring about its end and to usher in the next period. Since there is a greater demand for labor wages go up, and, at the same time men of inferior ability are employed. This is also the case with the managerial staff, it becomes less efficient because business must draw upon persons who are not so well trained. The demand for more credit causes interest rates to rise. Rentals, for the same reason go up. And, a greater demand for raw material causes a rise of these products. Stocks of goods become larger and the market for many products becomes overstocked. Tension in the money market increases. Creditors begin to press for payment. Labor troubles increase. There is general overproduction, which means that the goods that have been produced cannot be sold at a profit. This indicates a maladjustment in industry. Under these conditions the era of prosperity draws near its close. Uneasiness as to the future begins to manifest itself. There is a fear that prices will not continue to rise. Therefore the manufacturers begin to curtail production; wages are cut; workers are laid off and there is general unemployment. The demand for raw material and for credit becomes much less. In the place of optimism of the period of prosperity pessimism reigns. Prices tumble, the stock market crashes and the general period of liquidation sets in. We are at that time in the period of liquidation or decline.

During the period of liquidation the one thought of business men is to liquidate their affairs as soon as possible. The result is that each attempts to secure the settlement of claims which he has against others, and in this enforced liquidation prices are slashed. When prices fall products fall off abruptly. There are many business failures. Many other business establishments are greatly weakened. Interest rates are still high.

The period of liquidation or decline is relatively short, usually lasting not more than a few months at the most. It is not impossible that the period of liquidation will be followed by an immediate recovery in business, but in the majority of the cases depression seems to be the aftermath of the crises. But, the period of depression may be escaped by a change in world conditions of trade or an unusually profitable harvest.

The decline in price continues during the depression but it is more gradual than during the crisis. Wholesale prices and the price of producer's equipment reach their low limits sooner than retail prices. Labor is only partially employed.

Depression breeds prosperity. Wages are lower and labor is more efficient. Interest rates are lower and the prices of raw material are lower. This means that the costs of doing business are less. Anything that will tend to make prices go up, under these circumstances, will result in greater profits, which in turn, will cause greater production and a return of prosperity. And we find that this "thing" appears for, since production is greatly cut during this period of depression the time will come when the stock of goods on hand will be depleted and any new demand on the part of the people will require new production. Soon this demand becomes widespread, prices go up and there is a return of prosperity, and the business cycle is completed.

The fluctuations which attend the business cycle are injurious to all concerned. Strikes, unemployment, and poverty result from it. Bankruptcies, foreclosures, and ruin are among its chief characteristics. It results in vast changes in the purchasing power of the dollar and as these changes take place incomes are greatly reduced. For example, the national income in 1928 was \$90,000,000,000. On that basis a drop of only 5 per cent in the purchasing power of the dollar would clip off of the income some \$4,500,000,000, and thereby reduce purchasing power that much. The loss of dollars thus computed, however, is far from being the most serious results of these periods of industrial change. The most serious results are in the derangement of industry, the loss of employment and of wages, the interruption of tens of thousands of regular incomes which are the support of home and families and in endless reactions affecting the welfare of millions of people. The losses in property values and business earnings are not of themselves as serious as the loss of wages to families dependent upon them, but they signify that employers and employees, proprietors and wage-earners are involved together. No business interest gains by industrial depressions.

Since the results of the various changes in the business cycle are so injurious, are there any suggested remedies for the situation? Yes, several proposals have been offered. In the first place, much can and is being done thru the control of credit. There are

two methods being employed in this respect, namely, the control, by the Federal Reserve Board, of the rediscount rate, and through open market operations of the Federal Reserve Banks. These methods have proved very effective during the present period of depression in deflating credit and preventing further speculation and over-expansion.

A second proposal is that efforts be made to bring about a more general knowledge of the "habits" of the business cycle. Business men should consider it and know more about it. To anticipate the cycle will result in neutralizing it, at least to a certain extent. This dissemination of information concerning the business cycle can be and is being facilitated by the creating of business forecasting institutions. One of the outstanding forecasting services is that offered by the Babson Statistical Organization of Babson Park, Mass. Others are the Moody's Investors Service, the Brookmire Economic Service, etc. They are doing much thru their studies of the various business barometers to forecast business conditions. Babson, for instance, was very exact in his prediction of the precipitation of the present industrial depression.

Another proposal in the utilization of government (national, state and local) jobs in the period of depression. This will furnish labor with employment and therefore purchasing power. This method is being used quite extensively at the present time.

A fourth method suggested is thru the stabilization of the dollar. At the present time the dollar as a standard of value is very unstable. For example, in 1913 the dollar would buy a dollar's worth of goods, but the same dollar in 1920 would buy less than half as much. In fact, the index number in 1913 was 100 and in 1920 it was 226. This means that in 1920 it took more than two dollars to buy as much as one could buy in 1913. If we had to buy and sell cloth or grain by a yardstick or a bushel that fluctuated as much as the dollar, we would have a very difficult time. Imagine a yardstick that fluctuated more than 100 percent in the course of seven years.

Under our present monetary system the dollar remains constant in weight but fluctuates in value. It consists of 25.8 grains of gold 9-10 fine, but the purchasing power of this weight of gold fluctuates very widely.

It is proposed that instead of a dollar fixed in weight and fluctuating in value, that we adopt one that will fluctuate in weight and remain stable in value. This proposal would necessitate the measurement of the fluctuations in the value of money by means of an index number, and it would involve the definite withdrawal of gold from circulation and the substitution of gold certificates. The proposal further provides that when the value of the dollar as shown by the index number, had changed, say by 1 per cent some government agent, like the Comptroller of the Currency, would then be authorized to announce the rate at which the Treasury Department would exchange gold for gold certificates. If these changes were made it is argued that the general price level would remain relatively the same and stable. This would tend to smooth out the business cycle and prevent all of its attending evils.

Speaking of the way the purchasing power of the dollar fluctuates Owen D. Young said: "When any sudden change affects the purchasing power of money, it touches every kind of moral question and every kind of obligation. The stability of money goes to the very basis of life." Paul M. Warburg said: "I do not know of any other problem that outranks it in importance." Dr. E. W. Kemmerer said: "It is the most important problem before the business and banking interests of the world today." Sir Joseph Stamp said: "It is without doubt the most bitterly practical of all questions. The problem of the price level is the most important single problem of our age." He went on to say: "What about trade depression on the basis of industries, unemployment, labor unrest, class hatred, high taxation, and the rest? My answer is that the problem of the price level is fundamental to a solution of them all." The Midland Bank of England stated that "History has shown that apart from wars and religious intolerance no single factor has been more productive of misery and misfortune than the high degree of variability in the general price level."

Let us notice some of the evil results of this change in the purchasing power of money. Take the man who loaned \$100 in 1913, and who paid it back in 1920. He gave \$100 in purchasing power and received back about \$40 in purchasing power. The investments which consist of rights to receive stated sums of money, such as bonds, mortgages, annuities, insurance, etc. are subject to the same hazards. The investor is compelled in spite of himself to gamble on the value of the dollar. If

it goes up the dollars he receives will buy more; if it falls, his dollars will buy less. The man who in 1904 put money in the savings bank, where he left it to accumulate at 5 percent till 1918, suffered a loss thru the shrinkage of the dollar sufficient to wipe out all the gain from his compound interest for the 14 years. The same loss would result if the actual money were held in a safe. Those whose incomes are in the form of salaries and wages are affected by fluctuation in the value of money the same as are creditors.

The unstable dollar has caused fluctuations of 40 billion dollars within 5 years. The unstable dollar thus blindly robbed some and enriched others. And, not only are individuals bound together by these creditor and debtor relationships, but nations are also, so that a small change in the value of gold may increase or decrease international debts by a purchasing power equivalent to many millions of dollars. If prices are allowed to go down, it becomes increasingly difficult for the debtor nation to pay their debts, and if they are allowed to go up, the creditor nations complain. This obviously has an important bearing upon international political relations and upon world peace.

The rank and file of the economists agree that the dollar can be stabilized and that this would have a great effect upon smoothing out the business cycle. There can be no doubt but that something should be done to prevent this periodic reappearance of depression periods and that much can be done to prevent this by the suggestions above discussed.

AN IDEAL

The ideal to which we should strive is that there shall be no child in America:

That has not been born under proper conditions.

That does not live in hygienic surroundings.

That ever suffers from undernourishment.

That does not have prompt and efficient medical attention and inspection.

That does not receive primary instruction in the elements of hygiene and good health.

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Eat with the Gang and be one of us

The Stroller

The Stroller wonders what would happen if the Bearcats were to win the championship. Wallace Oliver attended the game. Gus would take up religion. Mae Egdrif lost his "Julie." The Bearcats won another championship.

Mosses, Salvosen, Edmiston, and Gardner got together for a session. Dan had forgotten to have his picture taken.

Russel Wilson got his name in the Stroller.

Someone would talk in the west library.

The "Buffaloes" got loose.

The Growlers and Peppers went on another trip together.

The Stroller really felt sorry for little "Speck" Benge at the Emporia-Bearcat basketball game at the Gym on January 6. Because of so many baskets and free throws being made, "Speck" ran out of numbers on the Bearcat side of the score board, when the score amounted to 61. "Speck" was so excited he having exhausted his supply of numbers, that it makes the Stroller wonder what would have happened to him had the game lasted but a few minutes longer. The Stroller will have to call "Speck" into a huddle and see what we can do about painting some more numbers for his score board.

The Stroller wonders if the girls at Residence Hall have decided to have classes in the Hall, because it is told that Elizabeth came running down to the cafeteria and said, "Elton come open my closet door, I have to get in there for an 8:00 o'clock class."

Of course we know Mae Egdrif has a long way to fall so possibly that explains how so many dishes got broken in the cafeteria.

Carl Gillis, in a little notice on the bulletin board recently, makes a plea for big, or better hearts. It seems that he has a book "removed" and his purse is not only toughed for four bucks and a half, as he puts it, but it is also a quite touching story, and he cries "have a heart."

And that's only a part of it. The Stroller himself has lost a book, and asks anyone finding it to please leave it on the lost bookshelf. That doesn't mean that the shelf is lost.

Mr. Cook in the middle of the night: "Oh, Oh! They got me!"

Mr. Cook: "What?"

Mr. Cook (waking up): "Oh! I dreamed that I was taking some money some place and I was robbed."

Mr. Cook says also that politics is a strange bedfellow.

Aw! Rats! Say many of the professors when they behold the gnawed books on their desks after the holidays.

Sure says Miss Blue of the extension department, don't you know that rats have been coming here to College for a long time. They're not so dumb.

Perhaps it is a little far-reaching to suggest that certain students should capture and tame these rats that infest the building. Now, if the Stroller was a lover of animals (that does not mean dumb animals) and was having a tough time making a grade in some of his courses (which he is), he would do his best to find those rats. There is a reason, so said the "Postum Man," and this is a good one. Those rats are educated. Believe it or not. They really are. Why, they have come closer to good books than most of the students in this institution. And they really pursue their books too. If one is out of their reach, all that is necessary to do, they do. No desk is too high, no book is too big but what they tackle it and usually leave it well worn and marked.

However, if you want your rat as a source of knowledge, act now. Do not wait one hour. Alas, maybe now it is too late. Oh! Oh! But the Stroller hopes that every one of them is done away with so that good order and good odor is again revived.

Miss Mary Ellen Dildine, who spent the holidays with her parents Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Dildine, returned Sunday, January 4, to Urbana, Illinois, where she is in the library school of the University of Illinois.

Kirkville Awards Football Letters

Twenty-six football letters were awarded to the Championship Bulldogs at Kirkville this year. The Kirkville team has lost but one football game in five years, that being to Warrensburg. The Bulldogs are to be congratulated on their wonderful football teams.

Dr. Hake

President Lamkin has delegated Dr. Hake of the College faculty to give the tests sent out by the Association of American Medical Colleges, which recently appointed a committee to study the problem with a view to finding ways and means of securing students better adapted to the study of medicine. It is thought that by testing, a reduction in the tremendous waste of time and money of those who undertake the study of medicine without the aptitude necessary for the successful pursuit of a medical course may be made.

The test will be given by Dr. Hake

on February 19, at 3:00 o'clock and it will take approximately two hours for its completion. Dr. Hake is given the responsibility of collecting one dollar from each applicant.

During each of the tests, given approximately 1500 men have applied for admission to the various medical schools in the United States and Canada. Of this number only slightly more than 7,000 could be admitted on account of lack of facilities for taking care of more. Of the number admitted more than 20 percent have been forced to drop out of the medical school because of lack of sufficient scholastic ability to master the material of the course.

Character Training

Mr. J. E. Holman, Superintendent of Schools at Fayette, Missouri, has, for the past six years, been fostering character education, placing emphasis on leadership, scholarship, character and service. Last year the schools laid special emphasis on courtesy. The school is carrying out a definite program which will help students to desire to attend religious services.

Cape Back in Conference

Cape Girardeau State Teachers College, not included in the M. I. A. A. Conference during the 1930 football season, will return to conference competition next year.

Bennett-Smith

Miss Corda Bennett of Bethany and Mr. Cecil (Twister) Smith of Ridge-way were married during the Holidays. Miss Bennett is teaching rural schools, having received her elementary certificate at the College last Spring. Mr. Smith, or "Twister," as we like to remember him, is teaching Industrial Arts and Coaching at the Blanchard, Iowa, High School.

Donald Russell

A history of the city of Rosendale, Missouri has recently been written by the members of one of the high school history classes in that city, under the direction of Donald Russell, instructor and principal of the high school there. Mr. Russell is also a graduate of the College.

Mr. Cook

T. H. Cook of the College social science department addressed members of the Student Y. M. C. A. at a meeting Monday, January 5.

The social science instructor warned the members not to become discouraged or switched from their course by modern ideas which have a tendency to creep in and tear down practical religious beliefs. But he also suggested dangers of being too old-fashioned in religion.

A devotional period, conducted by Norman Clough, and a group of piano selections by William Alsop, preceded the speaking. The program was arranged by Clarence Lloyd.

Residence Hall

The girls of Residence Hall had a Christmas party Thursday evening, December 18. Every girl received a sack of candy in addition to the present which was exchanged by the drawing of names.

Miss Pike and her mother presented the Hall with two new records for the Victrola and a number of new books for the Hall library. Miss Pike and Miss Sargeant each received a desk pen set from the girls. Zeigler's sent two five-pound boxes of chocolates for the "Inmates of Residence Hall."

Tarkio College

The corner stone for Tarkio's new Administration and Chapel building was laid Thursday afternoon, December 18, at 3:00 o'clock. President Lamkin was the principal speaker. The building will not be entirely completed until sometime next summer.

Miss Anthony

Miss Hettie M. Anthony, head of the home economics department of the College, attended the conference of Home and Family Life in our present-Changing Social and Economic Order, which was called by Wm. J. Cooper, United States Commissioner of Education, to meet at Ames, Iowa, recently. The meeting was by outstanding Economists, Sociologists, and Home Economics Teachers. Miss Anthony reports that the meeting was most worth while and inspiring.

Chemistry Teacher Writes on Guidance

Dr. Robert W. Edmiston, instructor in chemistry at the College, had an article printed in the magazine, "The High School Teacher," for December, 1930. The article, titled, "A Pre-College Course," is written in review of a pre-college course which Dr. Edmiston conducted for senior and junior high school students at Lima high school, Lima, Ohio. "If guidance is one of the main functions of our public schools, we should provide guidance for that important and ever increasing number of graduates who expect to obtain further schooling," says the article. The members of the pre-college class were asked to use references to aid them in making a choice of the type of schooling they wished to pursue after leaving the high school. The references were college catalogs, books on American colleges and American opportunities, various texts on occupations and vocational readings and various pamphlets on various occupations published by the National Research Council, the different departments of the United States government, the associations of various trades and professions and other such material.

While the scientific course could not overcome entirely the "Alma Mater Disease," the cause was not only valuable to the students who were going to College in that it helped them select proper schools, but it was valuable for the college in that it helped to bring to the college a student with a more definite choice and purpose.

"Dixie" Davenport

Donald Davenport, a graduate of the College, has made an enviable record in his coaching of the Tigers at the Smith-Cotton High School in Sedalia, Missouri, in winning the Big Seven Conference Championship. "Dixie" had an unusually light team this season, but despite their bantam-like physiques, every man had the stuff that makes football players. The team scored some 164 points to their opponents 7. The only score against the Tigers was in the first game of the season when the Jefferson City team went down to defeat by a score of 19 to 7. In winning from the Independence team on November 21, the Tigers dealt that team their first defeat in twenty-eight games.

'31 Track Schedule Is Given by Coach

According to Coach E. A. Davis, the Maryville Bearcats will compete in six track meets during the spring track season. Four dual meets have been matched while the other two certain dates will be with other schools of the M. I. A. A. Conference.

The first meet, March 28, will be at Columbia in the new Brewer Field House, when the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association schools: Cape Girardeau, Kirksville, Springfield, Warrensburg, and Maryville will meet.

The other dates follow:

April 10—Dual Meet—Wentworth Military Academy at Lexington.

April 17—Dual Meet—Doane College at Crete, Nebraska.

April 24 or 25—Intercollegiate meet, District High Schools.

April 24 or 25—Dual Meet—Peru at Peru.

May 1—Dual Meet—Kirksville, here.

May 8—Dual Meet—Tarkio, here.

May 15—State Meet of the M. I. A. A. Schools at Cape Girardeau.

Fine Arts Club

A Christmas party was given at the home of Miss DeLuce by the Fine Arts Club. The Christmas tree, which stood by the fireplace, was beautifully

decorated. The evening was spent in conversation, playing games and exchanging gifts.

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Football Letter Sweaters Awarded

Between halves at the basketball game Wednesday night, December 17, in which the Bearcats annexed the first of a two-game series from the Durant Teachers of Oklahoma, the football letter sweaters were awarded to the men who won the coveted tokens.

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Vehron Anderson recently went to St. Joseph to do substitute teaching for W. P. Green, a former Maryville student, who was in the hospital following an operation.

Carl LeRoy Fisher left Friday for Cleveland, Ohio, to attend the Winard Storage Battery Wholesalers Business meeting. While in Cleveland he will visit the Battery factory of the company, and then he will also visit the Packard Cable factory in Warren, Ohio. Mr. Fisher is the representative of the local Fisher Battery Station.

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